Por. Art thou contented Iew? what doſt thou ſay?
Shy. I am content.
Por. Clarke, draw a deede of gift.
Shy. I pray you giue me leaue to goe from hence,
I am not well, ſend the deede after me,
and I will ſigne it.
Duke. Get thee gone, but doe it.
Shy. In chriſtning ſhalt thou haue two Godfathers,
had I beene iudge, thou ſhouldſt haue had ten more,
to bring thee to the gallowes, not to the font. *Exit.*
Duke. Sir I entreate you home with me to dinner.
Por. I humbly doe deſire your Grace of pardon,
I muſt away this night toward Padua,
and it is meete I preſently ſet forth.
Duke. I am ſorry that your leyſure ſerues you not.
Anthonio, gratifie this gentleman,
for in my mind you are much bound to him.
Exit Duke and his traine.
Baſſ. Moſt worthy gentleman, I and my friend
haue by your wiſedome been this day aquitted
of greeuous penalties, in lewe whereof,
three thouſand ducats due vnto the *Iew*
wee freely cope your curtious paines withall.
An. And ſtand indebted ouer and aboue
in loue and ſeruice to you euer-more.
Por. Hee is well payd that is well ſatisfied,
and I deliuering you, am ſatisfied,
and therein doe account my ſelfe well payd,
my minde was neuer yet more mercinarie.
I pray you know me when we meete againe,
I wiſh you well, and ſo I take my leaue.
Baſſ. Deere ſir, of force *I* muſt attempt you further,
take ſome remembrance of vs as a tribute,
not as fee: graunt me two things I pray you,
not to deny me, and to pardon me.
Por. You preſſe me farre, and therefore *I* wil yeeld,
giue mee your gloues, Ile weare them for your ſake,
and

and for your loue ile take this rin
doe not draw back your hand, ile
and you in loue ſhall not denie m
Baſſ. This ring good ſir, alas i
I will not ſhame my ſelfe to giue
Por. I will haue nothing elſe b
and now me thinks I haue a mind
Baſſ. There's more depends on
the deareſt ring in Venice will I g
and finde it out by proclamation.
onely for this I pray you pardon
Por. I ſee ſir you are liberall in
you taught me firſt to beg, and n
you teach me how a begger ſhou
Baſſ. Good ſir, this ring was g
and when ſhe put it on, ſhe made
that I ſhould neither ſell, nor giu
Por. That ſcuſe ſerues many m
and if your wife be not a mad wo
and know how well I haue deſeru
ſhe would not hold out enemy fo
for giuing it to me: vvell, peace
Anth. My L. *Baſſanio*, let him h
let his deſeruings and my loue wi
be valued gainſt your wiues com
Baſſ. Goe *Gratiano*, runne and
giue him the ring, and bring him
vnto *Anthonios* houſe, away, mak
Come, you and I will thither pre
and in the morning early will we
flie toward Belmont, come *Antho*

Enter Ner

Por. Enquire the *Iewes* houſe
and let him ſigne it, weele away t
and be a day before our husbands
this deede will be well welcome to

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